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**LEGISLATIVE AIDE OF FORMER SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SUPERVISOR
INDICTED ON PERJURY, FALSE STATEMENT CHARGES**

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that a federal grand jury returned a superseding indictment in the continuing investigation of corruption in San Joaquin County. The second superseding indictment added defendant J. TYLER REVES, 34, formerly of Stockton, to the case. REVES joins MONTE D. McFALL, 56, of Lathrop, California, and former San Joaquin County Supervisor LYNN G. BEDFORD, 66, of Tracy, California as defendants in the case.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorneys Benjamin B. Wagner and Patrick K. Hanly, who are prosecuting the case, the second superseding indictment charges REVES, the former Legislative Assistant for former County Supervisor LYNN G. BEDFORD, with two counts of making false statements to investigating FBI special agents, and one count of lying during testimony to the investigating federal Grand Jury, all felonies. The charges in the second superseding indictment against BEDFORD and McFALL are unchanged from the previous indictment. McFALL and BEDFORD are charged with conspiracy to commit extortion and two counts of attempted extortion, McFALL is charged with three other counts of attempted extortion, nine counts of mail fraud, and two counts of witness tampering. BEDFORD is also charged with two counts of making false statements to the FBI.

J. TYLER REVES was arrested by at his workplace in Davis, California, this afternoon by the FBI, assisted by an investigator with the San Joaquin District Attorney's Office. It is anticipated that he will appear for further proceedings before U.S. Magistrate Judge Gregory G. Hollows in Sacramento on Friday, May 30, at 2:00 p.m.

If convicted of any of the three counts charged against him in the Second Superseding Indictment, REVES faces up to five years in prison and a fine of up to \$250,000 on each of the three counts. McFALL faces up to five years in prison on each of the fraud counts, up to 20 years in prison on each of the attempted extortion and conspiracy to commit extortion counts, and up to ten years in prison on each of the witness tampering counts. He could be fined up to \$250,000 on each count against him in the indictment. BEDFORD faces maximum penalties of up to 20 years in prison on the conspiracy and attempted extortion counts, up to five years in prison on each of the false statement counts, and a fine of up to \$250,000 on each of the five counts in which he is charged.

The United States Attorney's Office noted that an indictment is only an accusation, and that McFALL, BEDFORD and REVES are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

The case is being investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with the assistance of investigators from the San Joaquin County District Attorney's Office.

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